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FOR AMBASSADOR VAKY

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SUBJ: LETTER TO FORMER VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT BETANCOURT
FROM PRESIDENT CARTER

1. PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING LETTER TO FORMER PRESIDENT
ROMULO BETANCOURT FROM PRESIDENT CARTER DATED
FEBRUARY 22, 1978.

BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. BETANCOURT:

I AM HONORED TO JOIN YOUR MANY FRIENDS AND ADMIRERS
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD IN WISHING YOU WELL ON THE OCCASION
OF YOUR SEVENTIETH BIRTHDAY, AN HISTORIC ANNIVERSARY
WHICH COMMEMORATES A LIFETIME OF DEDICATION TO THE GOALS
OF REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY AND FREEDOM FOR THE PEOPLE OF
VENEZUELA. UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP, THE ERA OF DEMOCRACY
WAS INAUGURATED IN VENEZUELA. YOUR STEADFAST COMMITMENT
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TO DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES AND CIVIL LIBERTIES THROUGH
50 YEARS OF PUBLIC LIFE HAS BROUGHT VENEZUELA TO THE
FOREFRONT OF THE NATIONS OF THE FREE WORLD. YOUR
EXAMPLE WILL CONTINUE TO INSPIRE AND GUIDE FUTURE
GENERATIONS, FOR YOU HAVE SHOWN THAT BY FAITHFULLY
PURSUING THE IDEALS OF LIBERTY AND JUSTICE A BETTER
SOCIETY CAN BE ACHIEVED, AND THE PEACE AND WELL-BEING

OF OUR FELLOW CITIZENS CAN BE ASSURED.

I AM GRATIFIED THAT ROSALYNN HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET
WITH YOU LAST JUNE IN CARACAS, AND SHE JOINS ME IN
WISHING YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS IN THESE NOBLE ENDEAVORS.

WITH BEST WISHES,

SINCERELY,

SIGNED JIMMY CARTER

HIS EXCELLENCY
ROMULO BETANCOURT
CARACAS

2. EMBASSY SHOULD PREPARE TEXT OF LETTER FOR DELIVERY
TO FORMER PRESIDENT BETANCOURT. VANCE

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